

## Concept Oriented Reading Instruction (CORI)

*Concept Oriented Reading Instruction (CORI)* Teacher Development Academy is targeted for upper elementary and middle school teams to engage in a research-based classroom instructional model emphasizing reading engagement, reading comprehension, and conceptual learning in science (or other content areas) in order to improve reading achievement.

The purposes of Concept Oriented Reading Instruction (CORI) Teacher Development Academy are to:

- promote reading achievement at all levels for all students at upper elementary and middle school, and
- build the state's capacity to support schools in providing a research-based classroom instructional model emphasizing reading engagement, reading comprehension, and conceptual learning in science or other content areas.

CORI fosters reading engagement and comprehension through the teaching of reading strategies while teaching content area concepts, inquiry skills, and explicitly supporting the development of students' intrinsic motivation to read. CORI instruction contains conceptual themes, real world interactions, self-directed learning, and strategy instruction situated within conceptual contexts, peer collaborations, and self-expression of knowledge through portfolios and exhibits.

### 2006-07 Training Dates

June 19-23	Dubuque	2006-07 Teams
June 26-30	Storm Lake	2006-07 Teams
October 5	Storm Lake	2006-07 Teams
October 6	Dubuque	2005-06 and 2006-07 Teams
November 16	Dubuque	2006-07 Teams
November 17	Storm Lake	2005-06 and 2006-07 Teams
January 18	Dubuque	2006-07 Teams
January 19	Storm Lake	2005-06 and 2006-07 Teams
February 19	Dubuque	2005-06 and 2006-07 Teams
February Polycom TBD	Storm Lake	2006-07 Teams
April 19	Dubuque	2006-07 Teams
April 20	Storm Lake	2005-06 and 2006-07 Teams

### Participating Agencies

#### 2005-06

Clear Creek-Amana CSD, Clear Creek-Amana Middle School  
Corning CSD, Corning Elementary School  
Dubuque CSD, Jefferson Middle School, Roosevelt Middle School, Washington Middle School  
Sergeant Bluff-Luton CSD, Sergeant Bluff-Luton Middle School  
Storm Lake CSD, Storm Lake Middle School

#### 2006-07

Clear Creek Amana CSD, Clear Creek Amana Middle School  
Corning CSD, Corning Elementary, grades 4 and 5  
Dubuque CSD, Jefferson Middle School, Roosevelt Middle School, Washington Middle School

Sergeant Bluff-Luton CSD, Sergeant Bluff-Luton Middle School

Southeast Warren CSD, Southeast Warren Elementary School, grades 5-6

Spencer CSD, Fairview Elementary, Johnson Elementary, Lincoln Elementary

Storm Lake CSD, Storm Lake Middle School

Wall Lake View Auburn CSD, Wall Lake View Auburn Elementary School, grades 5 and 6